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ACHD WARNS OF PHONE SCAM RELATING TO COVID-19

CUMBERLAND, MD — The Allegany County Health Department has become aware of a phone scam in which the caller states that they are calling regarding COVID-19 vaccination and then proceeds to ask for a social security number. The health department has been making calls to schedule vaccination appointments, but we will never ask for your social security number. If you receive a call about COVID vaccination and are asked for your social security number, please report it to local law enforcement.

The Allegany County Health Department reports that 20,791 Allegany County residents have received their first dose of a two-dose vaccine against COVID-19 (29.5% of the population), with 13,314 of those individuals now fully vaccinated with their second dose (18.9% of the population). Additionally, 2,109 Allegany County residents have received the single dose Janssen (Johnson & Johnson) vaccine (3.0%).

By comparison, the state reported that 36.7% of all Marylanders had received their first dose of a two-dose vaccine, with 22.4% having had both doses and an additional 3.0% vaccinated with the single dose vaccine.

Allegany County COVID-19 Case Statistics as of April 15:

- New COVID Cases: 49 since Monday, April 12 (cumulative total 6,685)
- Additional Deaths: 0 (cumulative total 205)
- Cases Per 100,000 Population: 16.84 (Maryland: 22.91)
- Positivity Rate: 3.53% (Maryland: 5.67%)

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